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## New Web cam offers view of Peregrine Falcon nest

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – A live Web cam is now available on the Macomb County Web site, allowing anyone to watch the activities of the Peregrine Falcons as they care for their nest and the soon-to-be-hatched eggs.

All are invited to participate in this rare opportunity to observe the lives of an endangered species, for free, by visiting <a href="http://www.macombcountymi.gov/peregrine/index.asp">http://www.macombcountymi.gov/peregrine/index.asp</a> and clicking on "View our Live Falcon Cam."

Visitors to the site will see a live shot of the falcons as they care for their nest and eggs, located on the southwest corner of the 11th floor on the Macomb County Building. Eventually, residents will be able to watch the hatching of the eggs, which is expected around May 4, 5, and 6, and the growth of the falcon chicks.

Also, videos of interesting nest activities will be available online, along with updated photos and information on the falcons.

Observers for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources visited Macomb County's facilities in late March. From the Board of Commissioners meeting room on the 9th Floor

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of the county Administration Building (across the street from the County Building), they observed the activities of the falcons and verified it was the same pair of birds, Hathor and Horace, that nested for the first time on the County Building in spring 2005.

On March 31, the observers did a closeup search of prime nesting locations off the County Building's vacant 11th Floor. Three eggs were spotted when this year's nest was found, but Hathor laid the fourth within the next few days.

## **About Macomb County**

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 834,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.